ALTERNATIVE PIRATE MEDIUM WAVE NEWS

A D.P.R.S. Service.

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To kick off this new bulletin, let's take a look at the Dutch MW pirate bands currently in use, the frequencies, and who is using them. This is only a 'one-off' to help newcomers, and will not be a regular feature.

182 / 183 metres - 1604 to 1621 KHz:
As usual most of the activity from Holland takes place here, but the 1565 to 1600 frequencies are catching up fast; see 187 to 192 metre section. A very strong Greek pirate was heard here recently; see loggings sheet. New on the band is ***HORIZON*** radio with address of: P.B. 108 Dalfsen NL.

REGULAR USERS: *Nooitgedacht, Tijdbreker, Toekomst, Pelikaan, Barones, Utopia, Spanningzoeker, Schaduwjager, Armada, Weduwe, Jopie de Sloper, 813, Gouden Ster, Toulouse (Gramsbergen), Toulouse (Vriezenveen), Mexico, Vrijevogel, Bremen, Casablanca, Caballero, Black Power, Karel Doorman B, Blauwe Buldog, Valencia, Noordzee, Sylvania, Horizon, Stormvogel, Delmare B, Verona A, Ome Jan (Almelo), Calipso B, Pedro, Talisman, Golfbreker, Santana, Kontakt + others.*

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185 to 186 metres - 1604 to 1621 KHz:
Not a lot happening here I'M afraid. ***JOHANNES DE JAGER*** still battles away every Saturday night on 1608 KHz. I think most of the Dutch pirates have given up on these frequencies, except for local contacts.

REGULAR USERS: *Waldolala, Johannes de Jager, Sapporro, Texta Cowboy, Stroper, Berkenrode, Blonde Anna (YL), Blonde Ale (YL), Havanna and others.*

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187 / 192 metres - 1560 to 1600 KHz:
This area of the band is rapidly becoming the number one choice for music programmes. There is no Telex QRM around, and there is quite a lot of free space for transmissions now in this part of the spectrum. Look out for even more pirates in this area, as the other powerful German (legal) station is to close down too.

REGULAR USERS: *Korak, 807, Japie de Blitzkikker and guest pirates, Ome Jan (Almelo), Firma F16 and guest pirates, Soto and guest pirates, Texta Cowboy, Bontekoe, Curacau and others.*

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214 metres ± 1400 KHz:
Did not take off as expected. Is now limited to several regularly heard stations but, unfortunately for us in the U.K. it is a very active band during the daytime in Holland, especially on Sundays. Might hear something during the day if you're fortunate enough to live on the east coast.

REGULAR USERS: *Karel Doorman A (Raalte), Hennie Veldwijk, Ijsselstein, Nova 4, Meteoor, Blauwe Piraat, Rode Rover, Zender Harry, Radio Pepper, Egerlander, Tobias and others.*

NEWS ITEMS: ***SYLVANIA A*** from Zwolle, has not been heard for some time now, however, the good news is that he is back with a new name. Now calling himself the ***IJSSELPIRAAT,*** he has been logged twice by me recently. Although his signal is poor, he is going to make a few adjustments, so it should improve. Check him out!

A new pirate ***OME JAP*** from the far north of Holland (Ameland) has made several appearances of late. Sometimes the signal is quite good. I recently sent him a tape of a very good and strong reception here in Preston.

LATEST NEWS UPDATE AND PROGRAMME INFORMATION

FIRMA F16 New regular Saturday night/Sunday morning programme noted over the past few weeks. Transmissions are in co-operation with ***ZWARTE PANTER, MORGENZON*** and ***DIKKE BIZON*** + sometimes other guest pirates. Check 0000+UTC Sundays 1597 KHz

SOTO The first regular broadcaster on the 190m band continues every Sunday afternoon on 1569 KHz, reception is good throughout europe. Joint transmissions have been noted with other guest pirates.

JAPIE DE BLITZKIKKER Regular now every Sunday afternoon and evening. As soon as the programme finishes ***CURACAU*** takes over with his own transmitter on 1588 KHz. ***JAPIE*** can be found around the 1591 KHz area.

STUDIO 4 Noted on 1638 KHz recently with a surprise international programme. This one is normally a low power local broadcaster but, the strength of the signal suggests a dramatic increase in power output.

MEXICO Ex Vrijevogel B. Having changed his name to avoid confusion with the other Vrijevogel from N. Brabant, has gone from the frying pan into the fire. There are now three Mexico stations!! ***MEXICO A*** comes from Groningenland. ***MEXICO B.*** comes from the N. O. P. and ***MEXICO C.*** (ex Vrijevogel) comes from Vriezenveen. There is also a kleine Mexico, so be careful!

PIRANA Sadly no more programmes from this pirate. He has had regular weekly programmes for the past 4 years. His two hour Sunday night/Monday morning programme on 1509 KHz was quite unique with the continuous 60's and 70's pop hits. Domestic upheaval has forced him to stop broadcasting for the time being. He hopes to return sometime in the not too distant future.

AMERICAN STAR Made his first appearance on MW using the TX of ***CALIPSO B.*** He asked me to call him, and he spoke fairly good English. He hopes to make some more programmes from the ***CALIPSO*** studio and plays a good selection of Dutch and English records.

BARONES Still rocking away with his regular Fri/Sat. programmes. The signal from this pirate is truly phenomenal. I can hear him here with **no antenna at all !!** not even a ferrite rod. His nearest rival for the top dog is ***TOEKOMST*** who can sometimes be stronger than the ***BARO*** but, you must remember that ***BARO*** is much further east.

UTOPIA Probably has the most entertaining programme of all the pirates. His programme of 60's, and 70's music, complete with jingles and multilingual ID's just get better and better. Usually to be found on 1636 KHz, Thursday, Friday, or Saturdays.

807 Moved to ± 1597 KHz with his request and dedications programme, which has been going out over the air for the past 5 years. Plays a good selection of mainly Dutch, but some English music too. You can call into the station for reports and requests. The number is: (from U. K.) 010-31-3429-2521. Heard every Saturday night.

TOMPOES I am very sad to have to report to you the death of this well known pirate. He had suffered from heart problems for some years and passed away on the 20th February 1994. Maybe not the most favourite of pirates with the Dxers, he rarely replied to reports, but his programmes of Polka music were a firm favourite with the Dutch listeners.

D. P. R. S. The D. P. R. S. membership scheme will not continue this year. It will gradually be phased out as memberships expire. The ***D. P. R. S.*** forwarding service for ALL Dutch MW pirates continues. Please remember the forwarding fee of 1 IRC, or $1 US. **IN ADDITION TO RETURN POSTAGE FOR THE STATION.**

RADIO BREMEN I was astonished recently to hear the operator slagging off Derek Taylor and Pirate Chat magazine, because he did not receive a requested sample copy. I would like to remind Mr. ***BREMEN*** that 12 Dorman Rd was only a forwarding address for ***PIRATE CHAT***. D.P.R.S. is very efficient with mail and all letters are forwarded or replied to the **same day!** If someone else fails to deliver the goods, I don't see how he can blame me. **Patience is a virtue my good man!**

FOR SALE: Theasby Electronic Bandpass Filter. DIG OUT THAT DX! **80Hz to 2.5KHz.** £15 inc. P & P to: D.P.R.S. 12 Dorman Road, Preston, PR2 6AS ENGLAND. Operates from 12v supply.

STICKER EXCHANGE: Would you like to swap pirate stickers (or others) with other Dxers? If so, send your name and address to the editor and we will publish what you have got, and what you want in exchange in the July issue.

CONTRIBUTIONS: All contributions are welcome at ***ALTERNATIVE PIRATE MEDIUM WAVE NEWS***, no matter how small. Small ads. will also be taken, along with articles and all items related to MW Pirate DXing. Newspaper cuttings, photos, stickers, in fact anything which you feel might help to improve or brighten up the bulletin.

U.K. MW PIRATE SCENE: ***ATLANTIS*** from Liverpool was recently heard testing on 1591 KHz. Mystery surrounds this broadcast, as tapes of ***MERSEYWAVES*** and other old Merseyside pirates were heard too. I wrote to an old ***ATLANTIS*** address, but have not received any reply at all. Anyone out there shed any light on this? Bill Williams, Bill Lewis, or David maybe?

PAMELA recently heard on 1615 KHz (bad choice), only running about 10 watts. It was just about audible in Central England (David).

CAROLINE was recently heard from an unknown location on 1566 KHz. Playing old hits, and using old jingles, it was well heard in the Stockport area. No address was given out.

D.P.R.S. Remember, D.P.R.S. has Dutch mint stamps for your S.A.E.s to Holland at £2.50p for 5 x 90c stamps. **GETS YOU A MUCH QUICKER REPLY THAN IRCs!**

The D.P.R.S. MW Pirate List is also available for £1, also now indicates which Dutch MW pirates are verifiable through the D.P.R.S. QSL bureau.

D.P.R.S. QSL Bureau: Latest recruits include the following stations:

TUBANTIA, UK2, BAD COMPANY, STRAALJAGER, VARIANT, WEDUWE, BLAUWE COBRA, JOHNNY PEACON, GOUDEN STER, KAREL DOORMAN B, VROLIJKE MIJNWERKER, NOORDERSTER, ESKIMO, SOTO, CAROLIEN 807, MARIAN, HOLLANDIA, VALKENBURG, ZWARTE NON, and ***ZONDERVAN.***

Number of stations now verifiable is over 150 !!

SWEDISH REPORT SERVICE: Attention Scandinavian DXers!

You can send all your mail for D.P.R.S. via the S.R.S. IT'S CHEAPER !!
Address: S.R.S. Ostra Porten, 29 442 54 Ytterby, Sweden.

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Write to: D.P.R.S. 12 Dorman Road Preston ENGLAND PR2 6AS.

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LISTENING TIP: Do you use an indoor loop antenna? If so, is it facing east, or are you spinning it around all over the place? The amount of positional adjustment needed on a loop when listening to Dutch pirates is very small, unless you are trying to combat severe QRM. Get yourself a compass and make a base marker for the loop, marking north, south, east, and west. The circular type protractor sold at W. H. Smith etc. makes an excellent 360 degree base, and at least gives you a sense of direction as to where the signal is coming from. More listening tips next time!

QSL INFORMATION:

STATION	FREQUENCY	SENT	POSTAGE	TIME (days)
F16	1597	letter	s. a. e.	12
Kleinevogel	1649	letter/ppc	s. a. e.	14
Delmare B	1637	letter	s. a. e.	10

If you would like to see your QSLs in the above section, send them along to me and you will be indicated as a contributor.
D. P. R. S. 12 Dorman Road, Preston PR2 6AS, ENGLAND.

QSL TIPS: Unlike legal stations the pirates keep no log of their transmissions and often broadcast several times per day, and many times during a week. Therefore you are relying on their memory to verify your report. It is important to provide actual verifiable material with your report. This is the most important part of any report, but sadly seems to take second place with most reports that the D. P. R. S. receives. If in doubt, send a tape! A short C10 or C15 doesn't cost the earth, and is irrefutable proof that you have indeed heard the station. Futile statements such as: Man in Dutch, Record, Announcement, Music, Talk, Speech, Barrel-organ music etc., are no details at all, and could apply to any station.

Also, when sending tapes to pirates keep them as short as possible. 10 minutes is ideal, with the ID preferably given in the first 2 or 3 minutes. A C90 full of music and noise with the ID given in the last minute of side 2, is quite frankly (to put it mildly), a pain in the arse, both for D. P. R. S. and the pirates.

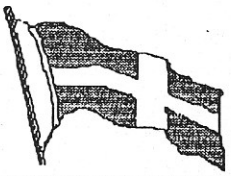
MAGAZINES: Two excellent magazines specifically devoted to pirate DXing, and covering both SW and MW are currently available.

PIRATE CONNECTION: A Scandinavian free radio magazine, also contains the well known **CURRENT PIRATE LIST** the complete and most comprehensive list of SW and MW pirates and their addresses to be found anywhere. It is to pirate Dxing what W. R. T. H. is to legal Dxing, so get yourself a copy now! **PIRATE CONNECTION**, Kamnarsvagen 13D: 220, 22646 LUND, Sweden. (sample £2. 50p)

PIRATE CHAT: A UK based free radio magazine covering all aspects of pirate radio. Covers SW, MW, FM, USA DX and Satellite too. Costing only £1 for a sample copy, write to: **PIRATE CHAT**, Box 1218, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 4BD, ENGLAND.

OK, that's the first edition of the new ***ALTERNATIVE (PIRATE) MEDIUM WAVE NEWS***, HOPE YOU HAVE ENJOYED IT? More news, info., listening and QSL tips next time. Till then I'll leave you with 2 full 'A4' pages of loggings!

SWEDISH REPORT SERVICE THERE 4 U



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DUTCH PIRATE RADIO SERVICE

ALL THE DUTCH MW PIRATE LOGGINGS FOR MARCH

DATE	FREQUENCY	TIME	STATION
3-3	1650	2213	Ome Jap
3-3	1644	2310	Talisman
3-3	1637	2339	Mexico C
4-3	1636	1716	Vrijevogel
4-3	1635	2318	KD B
4-3	1639	2356	Toulouse B
5-3	1638	1805	Kung Fu
5-3	1631	1929	Zwarte Kraai
5-3	1634	2310	Stormvogel
5-3	1647	2325	Ijsselpiraat
5-3	1638	1707	Calypso B
5-3	1631	2147	Gouden Ster
5-3	1638	2333	Spanningzoeker
5-3	1634	2217	Toekomst
5-3	1638	1931	Moonlight
6-3	1645	0151	Victoria (SSB)
6-3	1646	0215	Horizon
6-3	1647	0214	813
6-3	1655	0219	Toulouse A
6-3	1645	0233	Barones
6-3	1640	0154	Belmare B (SSB)
6-3	1635	0035	Vrome Drikus
6-3	1591	1720	Japie Blitzkikker
6-3	1569	1834	Soto
6-3	1639	1920	Weduwe
6-3	1605	2100	T. Cowboy
6-3	1636	2229	Oude Mustang
6-3	1636	2243	Pelikaan
6-3	1637	2252	Nooitgedacht
6-3	1634	2255	Sylvania
7-3	1636	2213	Verona A
7-3	1636	2253	Utopia
7-3	1635	2315	Blauwe Buldog
8-3	1638	2314	Golfbreker
9-3	1635	1914	Red Rover
12-3	1635	1635	Tijdbreker
13-3	1638	0017	Kontakt
13-3	1643	0102	Zeetijger
13-3	1643	0123	Kleine Jopie
13-3	1599	1802	Korak
13-3	1598	2142	807
13-3	1588	2018	Bontekoe
13-3	1597	2145	Curacau
17-3	1638	2330	Flandria
17-3	1646	2344	Noordzee
18-3	1591	1803	Bluffer
19-3	1645	2227	Schaduwjager
19-3	1599	2307	Firma F16
20-3	1608	0102	De Jager
20-3	1638	1752	Armada
22-3	1650	2224	UNID Greek (V. Strong)
22-3	1649	2331	Kleinevogel
25-3	1637	2328	Safari Park
26-2	1643	2354	Black Power (Feb. log)
27-3	1645	0042	Bremen
27-3	720	0126	R. Brod

Possibly last TX from this unique station!

DATE	FREQUENCY	TIME	STATION
24-3	1638	1842	American Star
25-3	1621	2251	Mustang
25-3	1636	2311	Calimero
25-3	1638	2343	Studio 4
26-3	1632	1756	UK2
26-3	1638.5	24H	NEW TELEX TX!!
	Oh no! That's all we need.		
26-3	1646	1759	Soto
27-3	1645	0013	Victoria (SSB)
27-3	1597	0149	F16
27-3	1643	2144	Oude Mustang
27-3	1643	2154	Rode Vlieger ???
27-3	1642	2216	Ijmuiden
27-3	1647	2310	UNID Greek
27-3	1591	1300+	Japie
27-3	1597	1812	807
27-3	1588	1809	Twentse Echo
28-3	1636	1646	Freebird
28-3	1637	2116	Nooitgedacht
28-3	1652	2200	Kallios (Greece)
30-3	1590	2136	Barones (QRG test)
30-3	1593	2138	" "
30-3	1594	2138	" "
30-3	1596	2139	" "
30-3	1597	2139	" "
30-3	1598	2140	" "
30-3	1599	2140	" "
30-3	1675	2155	Barones
30-3	1678	2157	UNID (Greek)
30-3	1587	2130	UNID (Dutch)
30-3	1643	2223	UNID ???
	song: "Peter Gunn" Duane Eddy		
	(Instrumental) suden QRT.		
30-3	1633	2235	UNID ??
	song: "Orange Blossom Special" (Inst.)		
30-3	1633	2237	Stormvogel
30-3	1649	2247	Blauwe Buldog

BEKNOPTE VERKLARING VAN DE S.I.N.P.O. CODE

S = De ontvangen Signaalsterkte
1 = Nauwelijks waarneembaar. 2 = Slecht. 3 = Redelijk.
4 = Goed. 5 = Uitstekend.

I = Interferentie
1 = Extreem. 2 = Ernstig. 3 = Matig. 4 = Licht. 5 = Geen.

N = Noise (Ruis b.v. atmosferisch)
1 = Extreem. 2 = Ernstig. 3 = Matig. 4 = Licht. 5 = Geen.

P = Propagatie (Verstoring op de propagatieweg)
1 = Extreem. 2 = Ernstig. 3 = Matig. 4 = Lichr. 5 = Geen.

O = Ontvangstwaarde
1 = Onbruikbaar. 2 = Slecht. 3 = Redelijk. 4 = Goed. 5 = Uitstekend.

STOP PRESS ITEMS ETC.

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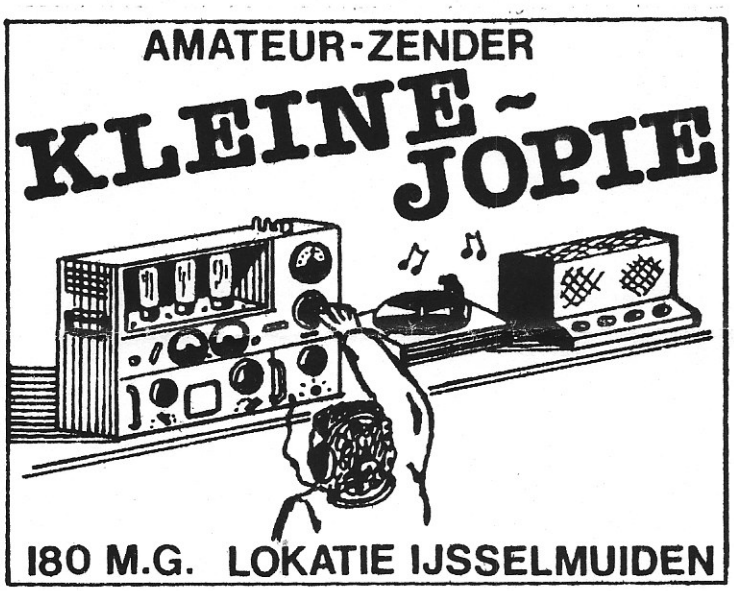
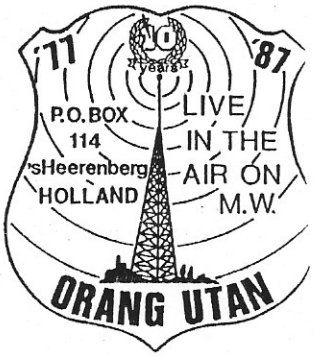
QSL: *KLEINE JOPIE* 1643 Letter/ppc s.a.e. 10
Also sent 8 great stickers. I have 6 left. 1 white, 1 blue, 2 Orange and 2 yellow.

RADIO UTOPIA
YOUR Music Station!





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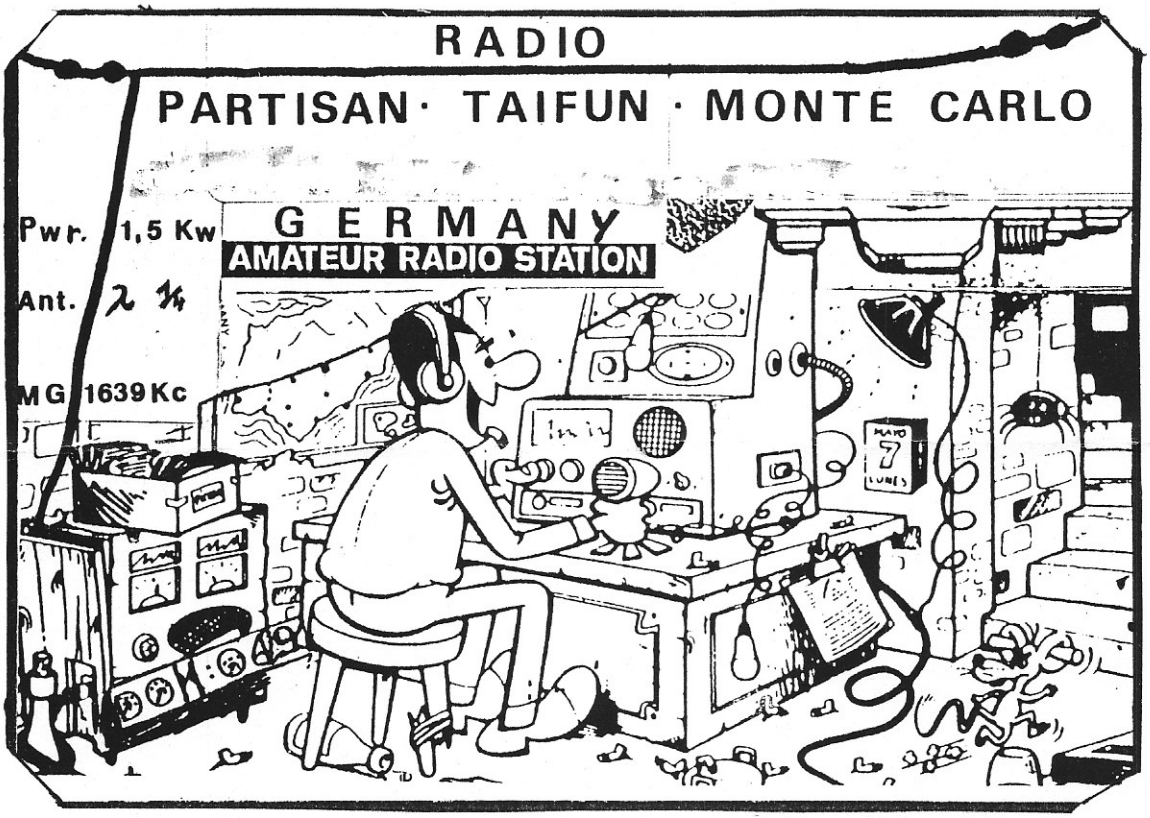

RECEPTION REPORT TIP: How do I ask for a QSL or letter from a Dutch pirate?

Heeft U voor mij een QSL-kaart of brief als bevestiging voor het ontvangstrapport?

ALL THE DUTCH PIRATE LOGGINGS FOR APRIL

1-4	1640	1930	Noordlicht
1-4	1640	1952	Turbojager
1-4	1636	2120	Calimero
1-4	1645	2149	Toulouse B
1-4	1635	2150	Antonio
1-4	1636	2158	Buldog
1-4	1639	2248	Krantenman
1-4	1637	2252	Mexico
1-4	1636	2331	Utopia
2-4	1638	1910	Zwarte Graaf
2-4	1608	1832	De Jager
2-4	1638	1841	Weduwe
2-4	1637	1900	Gouden Ster
2-4	1639	2053	Barones
2-4	1646	2118	Sylvania
2-4	1650	2123	UNID (Greek)
2-4	1632	1906	Z. Johan
2-4	1645	2137	Toekomst
2-4	1643	2203	Black Power
2-4	1638	2252	Toulouse A
2-4	1635	2308	Stormvogel
2-4	1589	2149	Barones
3-4	1591	1613	Japie
3-4	1591	1726	Tuinman/Bluffer
3-4	1645	2136	Baro/Santana
*			in stereo!
3-4	1633	2139	Z. Johan
3-4	1638	2140	Delta
3-4	1645	2150	Schaduwjager
3-4	1638	2209	Studio 4
3-4	1634	2218	UNID (Greek)
3-4	1653	2225	Ijsselstein??
3-4	1642	2236	Blitzkikker
3-4	1641	2325	Curacau
3-4	1645	2336	Delmare B
4-4	1592	1705	Japie
4-4	1636	1714	Dikke Betta
4-4	1636	1717	Pelikaan
4-4	1638	2148	Nooitgedacht
5-4	1639	1633	Concordia
5-4	1638	1651	Vrolijke Mijnwerkerker
5-4	1638	1708	Vrijevogel
5-5	1636	1713	Zeetijger
5-5	1650	1717	Meteoor
*3-4	1598	1840	Korak
5-4	1636	2125+	Tijdebreker
6-4	1623	2007	UNID (Greek)
6-4	1636	2229	Tijd/Utopia
			(in stereo)
+6-4	1623	2258	UNID (Greek) VG!

Sign off 2305. Tape under analysis.

6-4	1650	2308	Bremen
6-4	1645	2239	Zwarte Panter

3 Poss, Twente, Drenthe, or Salland???

NB. Not on log. UNID noted on 1398 at 1419+ 3-4-94 Poss. De Schorpioen??

A new pirate called the Komeet is also active on 183m. Location unknown.

+ 100% R. KALLIOS 2 x ID.

7-4	1400	1515	UNID KD??
7-4	1647	2307	Talisman

af tewel De graaf van Monte Cristo.

7-4	1641	2317	Blauwe Reiger
7-4	1650	2334	Toekomst

Phenomenal signal from this pirate!
wide filter used for amazing reception

8-4	1636	2159	Calimero
8-4	1650	2226	Toulouse B
8-4	1651	2232	Mexico

Luisteramateur: "BLACK MAMBA"
12 Dorman Road, Preston, PR2 6AS, Engeland

Free Radio Magazine

"Pirat Chat" (Piratenpraat) is hèt blad voor de Vrije Radio! Het wordt elke 2 maanden uitgegeven met hierin het laatste nieuws over de FM, MG, KG, de Verenigde Staten en nog veel meer.

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MEXICO Lt/ppc, S.A.E. 27 days.
BEER (New site!!)Lt/ppc S.A.E. 90 days.

DIKKE BIZON /
Z. PANTER C / ppc, photo, S.A.E. 7 days.
K. KABOUTER /

D.P.R.S. QSL BUREAU: New!

ARMADA, VRIJEVOGEL, FREEBIRD, DE BEER, KLEINE JOPIE, HARLEY DAVIDSON, JOHAN, ZWARTE WEDUWE, CONCORDIA, ZWARTE KRAAI + others!